

## MONTPELIER GOSSIP.

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assistant judges of the respective county courts.

The amendments make numerous changes in phraseology, and the bill repeals entirely No. 90 of the acts of 1902, which is the present license law.

## Governor's Appointments.

The governor has appointed the following to be the state board of osteopathic examiners and registration: W. W. Brook of Montpelier for three years; Guy E. London of Burlington for two years; H. K. Sherburne of Rutland for one year.

He has named the following delegates to represent Vermont at the American Forestry Association to be held in Washington, January 2 to 6, 1905: William J. Van Patten, of Burlington, Edward C. Smith, St. Albans, Fletcher D. Proctor, of Proctor, George Aitken, of Woodstock, A. J. Croft, of Enosburg.

On Friday Gov. Bell received the resignation of Clark C. Pitts of Brattleboro as a member of the state board of library commissioners, and appointed Hale K. Darling of Chelsea a commissioner to fill the vacancy. He also designated Mr. Darling as chairman of the board.

Geo. T. Howard of Craftsbury was nominated for railroad commissioner to succeed himself and, Fred B. Pier, of Jamaica, was nominated as director of the state prison to succeed Marsh O. Perkins of Windsor, whose term expired.

## Confirmed by the Legislature.

The Vermont legislature in joint session Thursday made the following appointments to the court of claims: chief judge, Frank Plumley of Northfield; associate judges, F. C. Williams of Newport, and Linus Levens of Cambridge.

Late Friday afternoon the Senate went into executive session and confirmed the appointment of Dan D. Burditt of Pittsford for trustee of State hospital for the insane. This is to fill the vacancy caused by the death of W. N. Platt of Poultney to be held up to and including November 30, 1906. Gov. Bell had previously nominated A. W. Foote of Cornwall whose appointment the Senate refused to confirm.

## Snap Shots.

Two years ago a commission was appointed to look into the matter of free bridges between Vermont and New Hampshire, but did nothing. Another commission was named last week.

A joint assembly on Thursday afternoon elected Frank Plumley of Northfield, F. C. Williams of Newport, and Linus Levens of Cambridge judges of the court of claims.

Danville's fire district is now authorized to furnish water for domestic purposes within a limit of three-quarters of a mile from the village.

The Vermont Hospital for the Insane is to be investigated by a special commission.

Bills introduced in the house numbered 550, of which at least 175 were corporation or "private" measures; in the senate were 184 bills, of which at least 50 were corporation or "private."

The legislature appropriated \$5000 for a silver service for the new battleship Vermont.

W. A. Lord of Montpelier and Hale K. Darling of Chelsea have been appointed to revise the Vermont statutes. The revision is likely to cost the state some \$20,000, including, of course, the printing of the revised laws, but so many changes have been made since the last revision in 1894 that it was deemed advisable to authorize a thorough revision at this time.

W. W. Fisk of Isle La Motte, A. W. Silsby of Newbury and G. H. Prouty of Newport were appointed to confer with New York and Canada authorities as to a temporary law regarding fishing in Lake Champlain.

The senate adhered to its refusal to confirm L. A. Cobb of Island Pond as inspector of finance, and it also looked with so much disfavor on the nomination of A. W. Foote of Cornwall as a trustee of the Vermont Hospital for the Insane that Gov. Bell was moved to substitute the name of D. D. Burditt, of Pittsford, a member of the senate, who was promptly confirmed.

A final effort was made to get an increase of salary for State Superintendent Ranger by a joint resolution giving him \$2500 a year so long as he held the office—the idea being not to establish such a salary as a regular accompaniment after that position, but simply as a temporary expedient. The movement was an unwise one, in view of the previous action of the house on this question, and it was defeated by an emphatic vote.

A number of the smaller towns applied for relief in the repairing of highways, pleading inability to keep the roads in proper shape on account of small grand lists, large tax rates and heavy debt burdens. The legislature proved good-natured as to most of these relief-seekers, voting them from \$500 to \$1000 each, on condition that the towns aided should raise as much more to be put into permanent road work.

Speaker Merrill was presented, on the closing night, with nearly \$100 in gold; Lieut. Gov. Stearns was given a handsome cut-glass punch bowl, and chaplain Farman of the Senate a purse of \$157.

## A Case of Pronouns.

Tommy Mulligan, of the seventh grade was absent from the class-room for one entire day. It would appear that he had played truant, for unknown to Tommy his teacher had spied him trudging homeward with his pockets bulging suspiciously when she too was homeward bound that afternoon.

But Tommy brought a note of excuse the next morning, which of course would prove that he had been detained at home legitimately. The writing was hardly that of a feminine hand, and the note appeared to have been written laboriously and with much blotting; furthermore, the penmanship seemed strangely familiar to his teacher. The note read as follows: "Dear teacher—Please excuse Tommy for not coming to school yesterday. I was not home. I tore my pants.—MRS. MULLIGAN.—(New York Tribune.)"

It is rumored that the kindling wood business will be resumed at Swanton in the spring. A company from Burlington has been investigating and if arrangements can be made will occupy the old plant. If not they will build a new plant on the line of the Central Vermont railroad.

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## Vermonters in Minnesota.

The November Vermonter has an interesting sketch by Hazen M. Parker, formerly of Peacham, of natives of the Green Mountain state now living in Minnesota, accompanied by portraits of several well known to our readers. Among the illustrations are portraits of ex-Congressman J. B. Gilfillan, a native of Barnet, and P. G. McMillan, a native of Danville.

"Hon. Henry C. Belden," says Mr. Parker, "born in Burke, was for a series of years a judge of the district court of Hennepin county and was considered by the bar of the county as the best of the six judges of that court during those years. He retired voluntarily from the bench and has since been practicing law. He is the same resolute, public-spirited man that he was in St. Johnsbury and ranks among the best of his profession in the state."

"Hon. J. B. Gilfillan has retired from general court practice and acts as adviser for large business institutions, with some of which he is associated, among which is the First National Bank of Minneapolis, of which he is now president. To Mr. Gilfillan is his alma mater in Peacham owes renewed life and attractiveness."

"Hon. Charles A. Willard, of St. Johnsbury, lately chief justice of the supreme court of the Philippine islands, is one of the most scholarly men whom the bar of Hennepin county has had."

"Vermonters here, as well as on their native soil and elsewhere, have ever been on the lookout for the main chance. They have had a keen sense for profitable enterprises and have shown their ancestral vigor in prosecuting them. In all lines they have opened and directed to themselves channels and streams of profit."

Among them are Minnesota's heaviest financiers. One of these, Capt. John Martin, of Peacham, residing at Minneapolis, for many years president of the First National Bank of Minneapolis, deserves credit as much as any one for building the 'Soo' railroad, the most important of any road in safeguarding the interests of the state and the northwest. To his energy, oversight and financial backing is, in large degree, due the success of that enterprise."

"An anecdote in regard to him is entitled to mention, showing the brotherly feeling of Vermonters at home. For years he has been vice-president of the 'Soo' road. The size of his bank account is not indicated by the clothes he wears. He is always a practical observer. A few years ago he was en route from Boston to Minneapolis on a 'Soo' train which made quite a stop at Newport. While the train was standing there he was on the outside stooping over looking at the truck of one of the coaches. Seeing this, a friendly bystander thought he wanted to go to Montreal and was contemplating a dangerous ride there. This kind-hearted man approached him and said, 'Friend, you are too old a man to ride in that way. I'll pay your fare to Montreal and you can ride as you should.'"

"A benefaction for which Capt. Martin will be kindly remembered, is a munificent gift for the erection of a commodious home at St. Anthony Park for homeless waifs, built in memory of his daughter, Jean Martin Brown, whose name the home bears. This home fittingly symbolizes the broad sympathies which characterized Mrs. Brown."

Of the Vermont Association, formed in 1900, Mr. Parker says, "Since that time the organization has been continuously maintained, with a new set of officers elected each year. Its maintenance has been, in great measure, due to the energy and leadership of Mr. C. C. Dunn, of Ryegate, and Mr. Charles M. Drew, of St. Johnsbury, who have been its secretaries during the greater part of its existence."

## Points From President's Message.

I most earnestly recommend that there be no halt in the work of upbuilding the American navy.

I especially commend to your immediate attention the encouragement of our merchant marine by appropriate legislation.

There should be a comprehensive revision of the naturalization laws.

In criminal cases the writ of the United States should run through its borders.

I recommend the enactment of a law directed against bribery and corruption in federal elections.

Wherever the national government has power there should be a stringent employer's liability law.

Abundant revenues and a large surplus always invite extravagance, and constant care should be taken to guard against unnecessary increase of the ordinary expenses of government.

The ever-increasing casualty list upon our railroads is a matter of grave public concern and urgently calls for action by the Congress.

There is no objection to employees of the government forming or belonging to unions, but the government can neither discriminate for nor discriminate against non-union men.

It is an absurdity to expect to eliminate the abuses in great corporations by state action. It is difficult to be patient with an argument that such matters should be left to the state.

The policy of the bureau (of corporations) is to accomplish the purposes of its creation by co-operation, not antagonism; by making constructive legislation, not destructive prosecution, the immediate object of its inquiries.

Above all else we must strive to keep the highways of commerce open to all on equal terms; and to do this it is necessary to put a complete stop to all rebates.

In my judgment the most important legislative act now needed as regards the regulation of corporations is the act to confer on the interstate commerce commission the power to revise rates and regulations, the revised rate to go at once into effect and to stay in effect unless and until the court of review reverses it.

Chronic wrongdoing or an importance which results in a general loosening of the ties of civilized society, may, in America as elsewhere, ultimately require intervention by some civilized nation.

It is contemptible for a nation, as for an individual, to use high-sounding language to proclaim its purposes, or to take positions which are ridiculous if unsupported by potential force, and then to refuse to provide the force.

It has proved very difficult to secure from Russia the right for our Jewish fellow citizens to receive passports and travel through Russian territory. Such conduct is not only unjust and irritating towards us, but it is difficult to see its wisdom from Russia's standpoint.

## Our Home Town.

On Danville's charming hills I stand, And view the landscape o'er; Fair fields and forests near and far, In majesty appear.

Eyes may not see nor hearts perceive, The glory of this scene, While minds of earthly darkness hide The joys divine, serene.

Far to the east on mountain top, The tints of morning shine, And later still at evening tide, We see the day's decline.

Far to the north with open face, The pole-star glistens still, While onward to the balmy south; Our ken can range at will.

A wide extended view so rare, Not often greets the eye; Nor air nor skies so pure and free As these that rule on high.

We are not Pagans, but believe In faith and love and prayer; We're not of superstition born, Nor bate our breath with care.

The type, the shadow or the sheen, No longer casts us down; We live and breathe and love to dwell In good old Danville town.

And so this giant tall and great, With wide extended arms, The points of compass well describes With face and feet and charms.

What harm, I ween, can gods inflict, Or images inspire, While One who lives and reigns o'er all, Is ruled by one desire!

And thus his son and servant come, To lie in cradle strange; He bore the cross and thorny crown, The glory and the shame.

What wonder, then, that Danville town Hath grace and beauty great; What wonder that her queens and men, Are honored in the gate!

In cities far that skirt the sea, Or here their dusty crew; They come and tramp with horse or heel To cure the vesting blues.

O'er swelling heights they roam at will, Or ride along the shore; Nor brook nor pond nor dashing wave, Can bid them only stay.

From Harvey down the mill-rail wild, They dash or stop to play, Along those banks where waters leap, And cascades lift their spray.

Our pilgrim guests are going now, And turn to say "Good bye;" The summer sweets they've sipped so long, Will win them back some day.

We bid them come, nor grieve the gain, They grieve or take away; Not better men or women live, Save those that come to stay." E. W. H.

Danville, October, 1904.

## Laugh and Grow Fat.

The Limit. He—I don't think your brother John likes me.

She—Oh, I'm sure he does. Why, he told me today you were a regular brick; he went further, in fact, and said you were a regular gold brick.—[Philadelphia Public Ledger.]

Lyles—Did you ever come across a more conceited fellow than Bulger? They say he is an atheist; and I believe he is. Bonter—I wouldn't like to go so far as that; but he knows that he doesn't recognize the existence of a superior being.—[Town and Country.]

"Yes," said the city editor, with a note of regret in his voice. "I was sorry to discharge Spacer. He was the best fire reporter we had. The trouble came last week. 'Friend, you are too old a man to ride in that way. I'll pay your fare to Montreal and you can ride as you should.'"

Woman—"You don't think I'm in a precarious state, do you, doctor?" Dr. Kilm—"No, not precarious, but in a doubtful state; both parties are claiming it, you know."—[Life.]

"I should not think such a prominent man would care to have a cheap cigar named after him." "Why not? He likes to have his name in every one's mouth."—[Town and Country.]

"There's victory in the air!" said the enthusiastic man. "Yes," answered the cool, calculating politician. "It is in the air, all right. The thing for us to do is to land it."—[Washington Star.]

His Best Girl—"Good-by, darling. I know everybody that sees you up in Maine will think you are a perfect dear! Amateur Hunter—"That would be just my luck, I'm afraid."—[Baltimore American.]

Famous sayings. Israel Putnam—"Fire when you see the whites of their eyes." Admiral Dewey—"When you are ready, Gridley, fire."

Admiral Rojstvensky—"You may fire when you see them spit on the bait."—[Cleveland Leader.]

## The Editor's Wife.

The following letter from S. H. Duncan, editor of the Seaton, Ill., Independent, shows that there is at least one editor who wants to help others. He writes as follows:

"To the Editor of the Caledonian: I wish you would print the following and thus help me to do a kindness to your readers. My wife has been a great sufferer with stomach troubles for the past four years, and the last two years practically an invalid. Nothing seemed to help her until I procured a box of Mi-o-na, nature's cure for dyspepsia. This gave her so much relief that she continued using the remedy until now she enjoys her meals, is relieved from all pain in her stomach and has increased in flesh."

S. H. DUNCAN, Editor of Independent.

W. B. Eastman has the local agency for Mi-o-na and his faith in its merits equals Editor Duncan's. He in fact offers to pay for Mi-o-na in any case where it does not give satisfaction.

Bank Will Ask for Extension of Charter. The directors of the First National Bank of Montpelier will ask within a short time for an extension of the charter of that institution since the charter expires December 24. After the extension is secured then two courses can be adopted, to continue business or liquidate.

In case of liquidation it is said to be cheaper for the bank to liquidate itself rather than go through the usual process in such cases. It is said that in the neighborhood of 90 per cent of the stock has signed in favor of extending the charter under the arrangement agreed on. Immediately following the stockholders' meeting a few weeks ago the books of the bank were by special vote examined by an expert, Bank Examiner F. S. Platt, with the result that the stock was figured to be worth from 92 to 96 per cent.

If the present bank goes out of business it would not be a strange thing to see another bank started. It is said that one Montpelier bank has offered to purchase \$150,000 of the assets of the First National Bank and give stock in its bank in exchange.

Life can be sustained for something like thirty days on water alone, with only dry food one could live but a quarter of that time.

## IN HUB MARKETS

## Quotations on the Leading Products in Demand

Boston, Dec. 12.—Butter is very firm, and higher prices have been realized on choice fresh and storage stock. Strictly fine creamery is scarce. Northern creamery, 26½¢@27¢; western, 26¢@26½¢; dairy, 21¢@25¢.

Cheese is selling at higher prices for choice fall twins. Holders are firm and the demand for consumption is fair. Round lots, York state, 11 3/4¢@12¢; Vermont twins, 11¢@13 3/4¢.

The egg market is very firmly held for all choice stock, which is scarce. The demand, however, is light. Choice nearby, 42¢@44¢; eastern, 34¢@36¢; western, 30¢@32¢.

Beans are quiet, but steady, at unchanged prices. Carload lots, pea, \$1.75¢@1.80; medium, \$1.90¢@1.95; yellow eyes, \$2.30¢@2.40; red kidneys, \$2.90¢@2.95; California small and white, \$2.50¢@2.55; foreign pea, \$1.85¢@1.90; foreign medium, \$1.90¢@1.95; jobbing prices, 10¢@15¢ higher.

Business in the local wholesale market for fruits and vegetables is still at a very low ebb. Stocks are plenty and the demand is slack. Changes in prices have numerous in each direction, but, generally speaking, the tone of the market is slightly easier.

Potatoes lower as a result of increased receipts, and a rather light demand. Cabbages of all kinds are higher. Southern string and butter beans are lower and lettuce has declined. Onions and turnips hold around the prices of a week ago. The season for native spinach is nearing an end; there is a little coming in; hereafter, supplies will come chiefly from the south. Squashes are easier. Celery is steady but radishes and cauliflowers have eased off somewhat. Sweet potatoes are steady.

Vegetable quotations follow: Potatoes—Aroostook green mountains, 50¢@55¢ a bushel, hebrons, 55¢@56¢. Dakota reds, 48¢@50¢; New York rurals, 53¢@55¢; sweets, Jerseys, \$3 a barrel, Vineland, \$3.50.

Onions—Native, \$1¢@1.20¢ a bushel, Spanish, \$3.50 a crate, leeks, 40¢ a dozen bunches.

Turnips—Yellow, \$1 a barrel, white, 50¢@55¢ a bushel, French white, \$1.50 a bag.

Spinach, etc.—Spinach, native, 35¢@40¢ a bushel, Baltimore, \$1 a barrel, Norfolk, \$1.50¢@1.75 a barrel, cabbages, \$1 a barrel, savoy cabbages, \$1 a barrel, red cabbages, 75¢ a box.

Beans—Southern string beans \$3.50¢@4 a basket, butter beans \$4 a basket.

Miscellaneous—Beets 50¢@60¢ a basket, carrots, 50¢ a bushel, parsnips, 75¢@85¢ a bushel, cucumbers, \$1.50¢@1.75 a box, egg plants, \$3 a dozen, marrow squash, 60¢ a barrel, turban squash, 75¢ a barrel, Hubbard squash, \$15 a ton, pascal celery 75¢@81 a dozen bunches, Boston market celery, \$2 a dozen bunches, radishes 75¢ a box, cauliflower, \$2.50¢@3.50 a barrel, pumpkins, 50¢ a box, brussels sprouts, 75¢ a quart, oyster plants, 75¢ a dozen, artichokes, \$1.25 a box, okra, \$5 a crate.

A slightly better feeling is noted in the apple market. Dealers have been able to reduce their stocks, and though actual advances are few, the feeling is firmer. Cranberries are quiet.

Fruit quotations follow: Apples—Kings, \$2¢@2.50 a barrel; snows, \$1.50¢@2; nonhuds, \$1.50¢@2; northern spies, \$1.50¢@2.25; baldwins, choice large, \$1.75¢@2; small, \$1¢@1.50; Ben Davis, \$1.25¢@1.50; Hubbardston, \$1.25¢@1.75; middlings, \$1.50¢@1.75; Maine Harvey, \$1.50; greenings, \$1.25¢@1.50; pippins, \$1.25¢@1.50; common sour, \$1¢@1.25; pound sweets, \$1.25¢@2; toman sweets, \$1.25¢@2; baldwins and greenings in bulk, 65¢@90¢ a barrel.

Cranberries—Cape Cod, choice late varieties, \$5.50¢@6.50 a barrel; choice early black, \$5¢@5.25; fair to good, \$4¢@4.50; crates, \$1.25¢@1.75.

Pears—Native anjous, \$2.50 a bushel; beurre bosc, \$3.50¢@4; seckels, \$1.50¢@2.50.

December wheat has shown considerable weakness during the week, making a net decline of 2¢. Other options declined in a lesser degree, May showing a net loss of 5-8¢, and July 1-4¢. Operations by Armour interests at Chicago have occupied chief attention in grain circles, being presumably on both sides of the market, but believed by the trade to forecast a bull campaign somewhere in the near future. Fearful that wheat may be on the eve of a bull campaign, the bear contingent has refrained from operations involving any notable commitments on the short side. Going contrary to the Armour program has generally been a costly proposition for the average small operator, and his policy now is to make pretty sure of his ground before taking determined action on either side. The government report was expected to be bullish in its tenor.

There is no change in pork provisions, the market being steady at: Short cut and heavy backs, \$16.25; long cut, \$17.50; medium, \$15.50; lean ends, \$18¢@19¢; lean pork, \$13.25¢@13.75; fresh ribs, 9¢@1-4¢; fresh shoulders, 8¼¢; smoked shoulders, 8-8½¢; corned shoulders, 8½¢; hams, 10¢@12¼¢; skinned hams, 10 5-8¢@11 3-4¢.

Fresh beef is steady for choice heavy cattle, with a few still bringing 9¢. For the top. The market, however, is still well supplied with light beef, and is easy for all medium and low grades. Choice heavy cattle, \$8.94¢; light, 5½¢@7½¢; heavy hinds, 10¢@12¢; light, 6½¢@7¢; heavy fores, 5¼¢@6¢; light, 4½¢@5¢.

Hay is dull and weaker, with prices a shade lower on the best grades. Receipts are larger and low and medium grades are accumulating. Straw is quiet and easier; mill feed is quiet and unchanged: Hay, No. 1, \$17¢@18; low grades, \$12¢@15; rye straw, \$21¢@22; oat straw, \$10¢@11.



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